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FAITHWALK

Courage for the Journey



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by **Ron Susek**

The vision God has placed before our ministry is to share the pure and simple Gospel of Jesus Christ worldwide. To my surprise, it is obvious that God has ordained the launch of this vision in Africa.

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Dr. Ron Susek presenting the pure and simple Gospel in Zimbabwe, Africa

In April 2015, I flew out of our spring-time and into southern Africa's fall for the third **Great Commission Summit** in Zimbabwe. All eyes were watching to see if the momentum of enthusiasm continued from the first two summits held last year.

It did! The summits have grown from 70 to 230. To date, the four summits have drawn an aggregate attendance totaling over 600 people. It became apparent that an awakening was underway.

The tip of the spear in all that we are doing is to call the Church worldwide back to the pure and simple Gospel in order to fulfill the Great Commission. God is affirming this message and we praise Him for this awesome response.

The title of the summit states our purpose—equipping leaders for the Great Commission. Our goal is to enable one-million Christians worldwide to bring an average of 100 people each to salvation, thus enlarging heaven by 100 million people.

Every time I state this goal I hear a gasp as people see only the impossibility of such a vision. I do, too, except for some key factors. **First**, it is a God-sized vision that we believe came from God. Therefore we can trust God to back it with God-sized enabling.

Second, we are building a team that will multiply. The first big step came on January 1, 2015, when Danisa Ndlovu became our Global Director working out of Zimbabwe. The next key step is that at each summit we ask the attendees to do two things: **One**, win people to the Lord and, **two**, train others to do the same. Then, encourage each convert to do the same—*ad infinitum*. Our work is to put the plan into motion. God's work is to use it to draw 100 million people to Himself.

And it is working. As you will read in this report, some departed the summit so disturbed and excited that they immediately led others to Jesus Christ. Further, some returned to their churches to mobilize entire congregations to do the same.

The results of the summit continue to expand. The leaders are requesting Zimbabwean summits in the capital city of Harare, Bulawayo and Victoria Falls. In addition a youth summit is being planned. Out of these summits major evangelistic outreaches will be launched.



Ron with Hope Nkhoma (l) and MacGeoffrey Mwale (r), two summit attendees from Malawi

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Four special visitors from Malawi returned home determined to establish a **Great Commission Summit** in their country. Kenya is already preparing for their summit late this year. Likewise, England has joined other countries requesting summits.

Following Zimbabwe, we conducted a weekend summit in Johannesburg, South Africa. Nearly 200 attended this summit with another flurry of positive results. The leaders want to enlarge the next summit to include hundreds of pastors from across the city that numbers in the millions. From that, they desire to conduct a major citywide evangelistic effort.



I returned home feeling as though I had been walking with the early Church through the book of Acts. We heard the call of many saying, “Come, help us.” **With your faithful support, we will!**



Pastor Joseph Dube

From the Summit to the Harvest Fields

The Story of Joseph Dube

by Danisa Ndlovu

A tremendous amount of work and preparation goes into every **Great Commission Summit**. At the end of every summit, as leaders fan across the countryside, our prayer is that they will lead many to salvation in Christ. Pastor Joseph Dube did just that.

Early Monday morning, following the Zimbabwean summit, I received a call from Joseph Dube. He pastors the Brethren in Christ Shale congregation under the Matopo District.

Pastor Dube began by telling me how he could not sleep on the Friday night that he returned home from the summit at Wanezi. He said that he was both troubled and excited about what he heard and learned at the summit. The speakers had both motivated and challenged him to share the pure and simple Gospel with others.

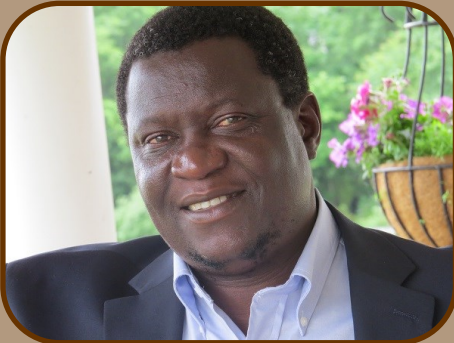
Pastor Dube confessed, “I have never gone out alone to share the good news of the Gospel.” After the summit lessons Dube felt compelled to take action, and God rewarded him by using him to win two elderly men to Christ—men who were not previously attending church. “I now share the joy of being an example of a leader who took what I learned seriously and acted on it,” he said. A ring of encouragement was heard in his voice.

I asked him if he had anything to say to fellow leaders. “Yes,” he said, “Unless we are willing to go and reach out we must not expect any harvest. As leaders we should be examples that we are not only hearers but doers of the Word. When we model to our followers that sharing with others the Gospel of Jesus Christ is important and primary to us, we will light a fire that cannot be quenched. It is being faithful. It is only logical to take what we have acquired and put it into practice.”

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Global Advance

by Jack Fleming
Vice President of SEA



Rev. Danisa Ndlovu
Global Director

We at SEA have been praying for God to surround our President and Evangelist, Ron Susek, with an expanded team to handle the amazing worldwide growth. We rejoiced when Danisa Ndlovu felt affirmed by God to become our Global Director. This has lifted an enormous amount of responsibility from Ron's shoulders, freeing him to focus on preaching and developing ministry materials. Ron expressed a strong concern for the need to remove his name from the title of the growing ministry. He felt that it would be best for a new name to

reflect how our biblical vision is to be fulfilled.

In this light, each new ministry will be named **FaithWalk Ministries International**. Eventually, even Susek Evangelistic Association in the United States and Canada will be known by the same name. Ron selected this name because walking by genuine faith in God, as did the forerunners of our faith, has long been a theme in his life and ministry.

For the ministry to expand and continue for years to come, we are establishing autonomous boards and organizational structures in each nation. While they will function independently, a Memorandum of Agreement will be established to maintain consistency of belief, practices and vision of the parent ministry, SEA. Most importantly, it must be clearly understood to all that our ministry is designed to enhance existing ministries, not replace them.

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Danisa and Ron during a planning session



Danisa being translated into Ndebele by
Rev. Absalom Sibanda

Danisa resides with his wife, Treziah, of nearly 28 years in Bulawayo, Zimbabwe. They have three college-aged children: Daughters—Thinkgrace Sikhethinkosi (26), who just graduated from Canadian Mennonite University (CMU), Winnipeg, Canada and Trustworthy Siphinkosi (24), who also just completed her undergraduate studies at Bluffton University in Ohio, USA, and son Devotion Ndalwenhle (22), who is studying at Providence University in Canada.

During his years as the BICC national bishop, he also served as president of the Mennonite World Conference (MWC). His term with the MWC will end on July 31, 2015.

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Bishop Ndlovu's Consecration Service

A consecration service was conducted for Bishop Ndlovu's new appointment as Global Director of **FaithWalk Ministries International**.

Ron shared the history of how Danisa was chosen for the position. FMI Board member, Bishop Sindah Gnube, replaced Danisa as Bishop



Ron praying for Danisa along with the FMI Board

of the Brethren in Christ Church. He led in prayer for God's blessing to be upon Danisa in his new position.

The picture to your left includes the new board that was established to assist and guide Danisa Ndlovu in advancing the vision worldwide. While the *Susek Evangelistic Association* (SEA) remains the parent ministry developing the overarching vision, the new formal name to be established around the world is

FaithWalk Ministries International (FMI). The vision will advance as each nation establishes its own chapter of FMI under the oversight of SEA and leadership of Danisa Ndlovu.



Danisa prays beside his wife, Treziah.

Answer to Prayer



Travel can be precarious in Africa, and requires a sturdy vehicle. The decision by the SEA Board to invite Danisa Ndlovu to become our Global Director took place in July 2014. We earnestly prayed for a good vehicle for Danisa's use. Even at the zero hour we were still lacking the resources to purchase a vehicle. Then God answered prayer in a surprising way. In appreciation for Danisa's ministry, the leadership of Zimbabwe's Brethren in Christ Church felt led of God to donate a 2013 Toyota Double Cab Deluxe truck. It is the very truck Danisa had been using as

the BICC Bishop for the previous year. The SEA Board and staff celebrated, giving great praise to God and deep appreciation to the BICC leaders.

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THE BURNING OF MY HEART

by Danisa Ndlovu

One of my greatest frustrations in ministry has been to see the Church drifting away from the true, pure and simple Gospel of Jesus Christ. The Church is definitely under attack from within, with false teachers replacing the message of the cross with false promises of prosperity and guaranteed healings. Christ is being pushed to the peripheral instead of being at the center of the Church's teaching, thus leaving the body of Christ vulnerable, as Paul wrote, "... tossed back and forth by waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of men in their deceitful scheming" (Ephesians 4:14).

Show me a pathetic, disoriented and unfruitful church and you will see one where Christ has been removed from His position of power as Head of the Church, and reduced to a mere spectator of so-called authorities doing their own "stuff" in the Church. The Church can only be healthy in spiritual life when it is properly founded upon Christ. That is why Paul continues to say, "Instead... we will in all things grow up into him who is the Head, that is, Christ. From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work" (Ephesians 4:14-16).

Coming to the end of my fifteen years of service as Bishop of the Brethren in Christ Church in Zimbabwe, I yearned for a platform where I could serve the Church across denominational divides, and call the Church to her original mandate. I know that it was God, who in His own wisdom and doing, crossed the paths of Ron Susek and myself! As we shared our spiritual journeys, including our concerns and aspirations for the Church, it was clear that we were headed in the same direction. It became even clearer to me when Ron invited me to consider joining the Susek Evangelistic Association (SEA). After much prayer and consultation, in the language of Acts 15:28, "It seemed good to the Holy Spirit." This was affirmed in our hearts by the unity that prevailed in the hearts of our families, the SEA Board,

and the BICC leadership in Zimbabwe. All agreed that Ron and I should team together to call the Church back to the Great Commission. As Global Director I expect to open FMI chapters in numerous countries. I also find deep fulfilment sharing my insights and concerns as a speaker at the summits. This has led to the founding of **FaithWalk Ministries International** (FMI) as the global outreach arm of SEA.

So far we have had four *Great Commission Summits*, three in Bulawayo, Zimbabwe, and one in Johannesburg, South Africa. We measure our success by the stories of men and women putting into action what they learned. One has not learned until he or she lives out what was taught—i.e. putting feet to conviction. ***Our stated vision is to equip one million Christians worldwide to bring 100 million people to salvation through the pure and simple Gospel.*** God is already opening amazing doors for us to share our message with many Christian leaders and believers in numerous countries and communities.

Prayerfully join us in this eternal work of the Lord. Pray for the plans that are already in motion to hold summits by year's end in Malawi, Kenya and the UK. Those planning for the Eldoret, Kenya, summit are anticipating five-hundred attendees. Pray for God to send forth numerous well-equipped labourers to reap the harvest. Your financial support is also critical if we are to place relevant materials into the hands of the participants.

It is as if God is putting us on overdrive! The urgency of our message cannot be over emphasized. Ours is a walk of faith. Our vision of reaching a million people who in turn will commit to bring a hundred people each to Christ in their lifetimes seems to some larger than life. Humanly speaking, that is true, but we strongly believe that what is impossible with human-kind is possible with God. We need you to be part of our support and action team.

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EDUCATION and the Great Commission by Terry Ortman

I first traveled to Africa in 2014 to work with children while Ron addressed the general assembly of the Brethren in Christ Church conference. I was asked to teach Bible lessons to 75-80 children. Over 100 appeared, so we divided them. I opted for the 6th and 7th class students. They weren't sure what this "old American" would do, but sharing the Gospel through role play, object lessons and games captivated them. Singing *Jesus Loves Me* "Detroit Style" became such a favorite, that we were asked to share it with the adult conference.

I returned during the **Great Commission Summit** last April. My role was to work with educational

leaders. I am greatly encouraged by their acceptance, and the positive response to the teaching techniques that I share.

African children are bright-eyed and receptive to learning through the *heart, head and hands* methodology. I can't tell you what deep joy it brings to see them laughing heartily as they learn. Furthermore, the teachers are developing their skills.

Now, I am preparing for something more important; that being, the best ways to introduce children to Jesus

Christ. Teaching techniques are only the springboard for helping children enter a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. This is the Great Commission, and this is what our ministry is all about.

A person who nurtures a redwood seedling may never live to see its height when fully grown, but many others will. We cannot begin to dream of what the lives of these children may become as we give them spiritual nourishment today. Only God knows what heights they will reach when it is time for them to impact their world.

This coming September I will be circulating throughout the five BICC schools to do classroom demonstrations of the training given to the teachers .

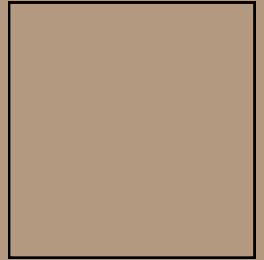


Mr. Terry Ortman joined SEA in August 2004 to fulfill a special request to write Bible-based curriculum for the Chuuk, Micronesia public school system. Since then, his teaching ministry has enlarged to numerous countries. He lives with his wife, Doris, in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania.





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Be One-in-a-Million

(Challenged by the Great Commission)

by Ron Susek

Envision yourself standing among the eleven disciples after Jesus' resurrection, and hearing Him give the commission to make disciples of every nation. Your mind may have raced back to another mountain scene where Jesus told the disciples that the end would not come until this task is complete (see Matthew 24:14). The importance of taking the Gospel to all people would clearly be of extreme importance to God, and He chose His Son's Church to be the instrument to fulfill this Great Commission.

Now, roll the hands of time forward two thousand years. Here stand you and me. What are we going to do to obediently fulfill this vast vision given by God?

Confronted by this question, we have set the goal to equip one-million Christians worldwide to win an average of 100 people each by sharing the pure and simple Gospel. This will empty hell and populate heaven with 100 million new believers.

Will you be part of our **One-in-a-Million** team? All you need to do is commit to one of three things; or all three. **One**, regularly pray for the advancement of this vision. **Two**, stand with us with your financial support. **Three**, commit to do all possible to bring at least 100 people to the salvation found in Jesus Christ between today and the day you stand before the Lord.

Please let me know that you have chosen to join our team as **One-in-a-Million**.